

Stylish and Vandal Resistant Seating for Dover Harbour Board

Problem Identified

As one of the busiest ports in the UK, Dover Harbour Board handles over 15 million passengers a year. The port of Dover has been managed by Dover Harbour Board since 1606 and now incorporates a marina, two cruise terminals and passenger terminals feeding the "roll-on roll-off" ferries which operate at the port. An esplanade runs between the eastern and western docks, which Dover Harbour Board owns and maintains. The existing standard wooden seats along the esplanade had suffered from vandalism and were being damaged on a regular basis. A durable seat was needed which would fit in with the surrounding area and the existing seats which were gradually being replaced.

Solution

Dover Harbour Board required a new seat, in keeping with the style of the esplanade and vandal-resistant to withstand the extreme coastal weather conditions. Following close consultation and regular site visits from a specially trained Glasdon Representative, Dover Harbour Board selected the Stanford™ Seat with brown Enviroplus® slats from the wide range of Glasdon seating available.



The Stanford seat has the natural appearance of a wooden seat but without any of the maintenance problems. Manufactured from environmentally friendly recycled and recyclable plastic materials, the Enviroplus slats will not rot and never need painting. The rigid steel frame coated with corrosion resistant Armortec® and cast aluminium seat ends mean Stanford offers a long service life. The weather-resistant materials are ideal for external use, particularly wet coastal environments. This robustly designed seat is hard wearing, durable and has extra resistance to vandal abuse.

Resulting Benefits

Ten Stanford seats were installed and Dover Harbour Board have since been delighted with the resulting benefits, including:

Attractive appearance: The natural looking wood appearance fits in with the existing seats and the stylish design complements the esplanade.

Cost savings: The vandal-resistant seats have reduced replacement costs, allowing extra funds to be spent on more new seats and other projects along the sea front.

Low maintenance: The weather-resistant materials are easy to clean, will not corrode and never need painting.



What the Customer says..

Barry Brown, Facilities Technician for Dover Harbour Board said:

“The quality and finish of Stanford Seats enables us to use them in high profile areas around the port and we have received positive feedback from our passengers who say they like the comfort and style provided by the new seating.”


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